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May 26, 2004

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Re: L Sand, Reservoir A; Mo Sand, Reservoir A;
M Sand, Reservoir A; O Sand, Reservoir G;
O-2 Sand, Reservoir B; Weeks Island Field,
Iberia Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf The Meridian Resource & Exploration Company and Louisiana Onshore Properties, Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing after legal notice to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relative to the L Sand, Reservoir A; Mo Sand, Reservoir A; M Sand, Reservoir A; O Sand, Reservoir G; and O-2 Sand, Reservoir B, Weeks Island Field, Iberia Parish, Louisiana:

L SAND, RESERVOIR A

1. To dissolve the LRA SUA created by Office of Conservation Order No. 146-Q-2, effective June 17, 2003, and to simultaneously create a drilling and production unit for the L Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the WI L RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on a surface acre basis of participation;

3. To designate a unit well and unit operator for the unit so created, and to designate the Meridian Resources & Exploration LLC - Weeks Island State Unit #25 ST Well (SN 229029) as an alternate unit well for the unit so created;
4. To provide that the unit well shall be exempt from the spacing requirements of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the L Sand, Reservoir A.

The L Sand, Reservoir A, was previously defined in Department of Conservation Order No. 146-Q, effective September 19, 1967.

MO SAND, RESERVOIR A

1. To dissolve the reservoirwide unit created by Office of Conservation Order No. 146-CC, effective May 1, 1973, and to simultaneously, create a reservoirwide unit for the Mo Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the WI MO RA SU, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on an acre foot basis of participation;
3. To designate a unit operator for the unit so created;
4. To provide that the unit wells shall be exempt from the spacing requirements of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify

reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;

6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the Mo Sand, Reservoir A.

The Mo Sand, Reservoir A, was previously defined in Department of Conservation Order No. 146-CC, effective May 1, 1973.

M SAND, RESERVOIR A

1. To dissolve the reservoirwide unit created by Office of Conservation Order No. 146-H-11, effective June 6, 2000, and to simultaneously, create a revised reservoirwide unit for the M Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the WIM RA SU, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
2. That the separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the boundaries of the unit area for the reservoirwide unit shown on the aforesaid plat should be force pooled and integrated, with each separate tract sharing in unit production resulting from primary recovery, secondary recovery and pressure maintenance programs in the percentages for the Revised Primary-Secondary Participation for each such tract to be calculated utilizing the same methodology previously utilized;
3. To designate a unit operator for the unit so created;
4. To provide that the unit well shall be exempt from the spacing requirements of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the M Sand, Reservoir A.

The M Sand, Reservoir A, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 146-H-3, effective January 14, 1987.

O SAND, RESERVOIR G

1. To establish a single drilling and production unit for the O Sand, Reservoir G, designated as the WI O RG SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on a surface acre basis of participation;
3. To designate a unit well and unit operator for the unit so created;
4. To provide that the unit well shall be exempt from the spacing requirements of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the O Sand, Reservoir G.

The O Sand, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 146-S-3, effective January 14, 1987, and was further defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 146-S-11, effective June 6, 2000.

O-2 SAND, RESERVOIR B

1. To establish a single drilling and production unit for the O-2 Sand, Reservoir B, designated as the WI O-2 RB SUA;
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created on a surface acre basis of participation;

3. To designate a unit well and unit operator for the unit so created;
4. To provide that the unit well shall be exempt from the spacing requirements of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the O-2 Sand, Reservoir B.

The O-2 Sand, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 146-Y-1, effective January 14, 1987.

The pre-application conference was held as scheduled on May 20, 2004. In attendance were the parties shown on the attached attendance list. The conference was opened by Mr. William S. Strain, attorney for the applicant, and then turned over to Mr. Charles G. Smith, the applicant's consulting geologist, who explained the bases of the applicant's proposal. There followed a period of questions, answers and comments, following which the conference was adjourned with all parties reserving their rights.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat outlining the Mo Sand, Reservoir A, Weeks Island Field, Iberia Parish, Louisiana, reflecting some minor, survey-related changes. Inasmuch as the other units remain unchanged, copies of these plats are not included in the copies sent to Interested Owners and Represented Parties. Also enclosed to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager **ONLY** is a list of Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom a copy of this notice is being sent. Copies of this list will be provided upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties or Represented Parties.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for posting of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plats in a prominent place in the area of Weeks Island Field. Additionally, the legal notice will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of Weeks Island Field, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

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All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Charles Smith 5743 S. Pollard Parkway, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808 (225) 767-2240.

Also enclosed is our check payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

STRAIN, DENNIS & BATES, L.L.P.

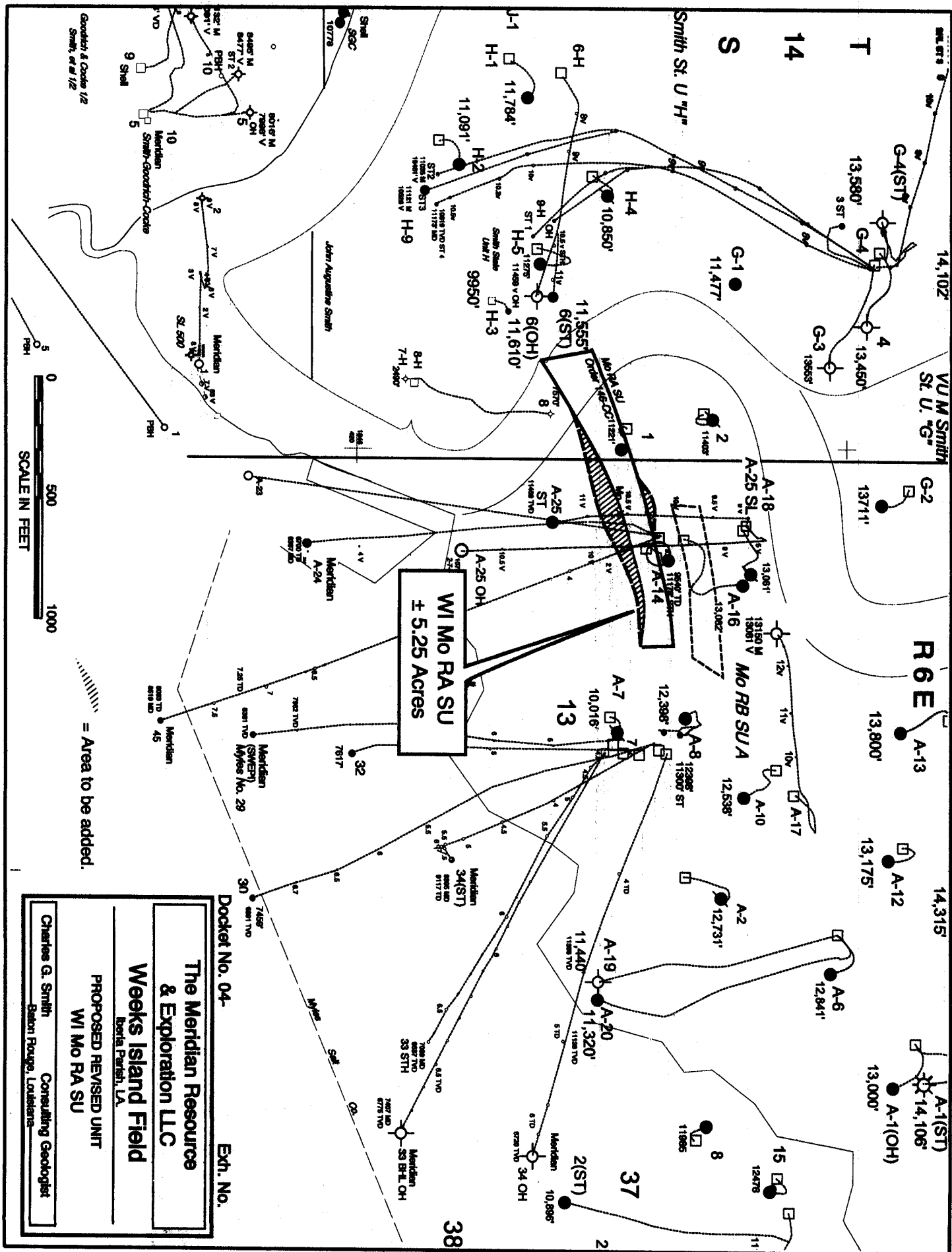
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William S. Strain

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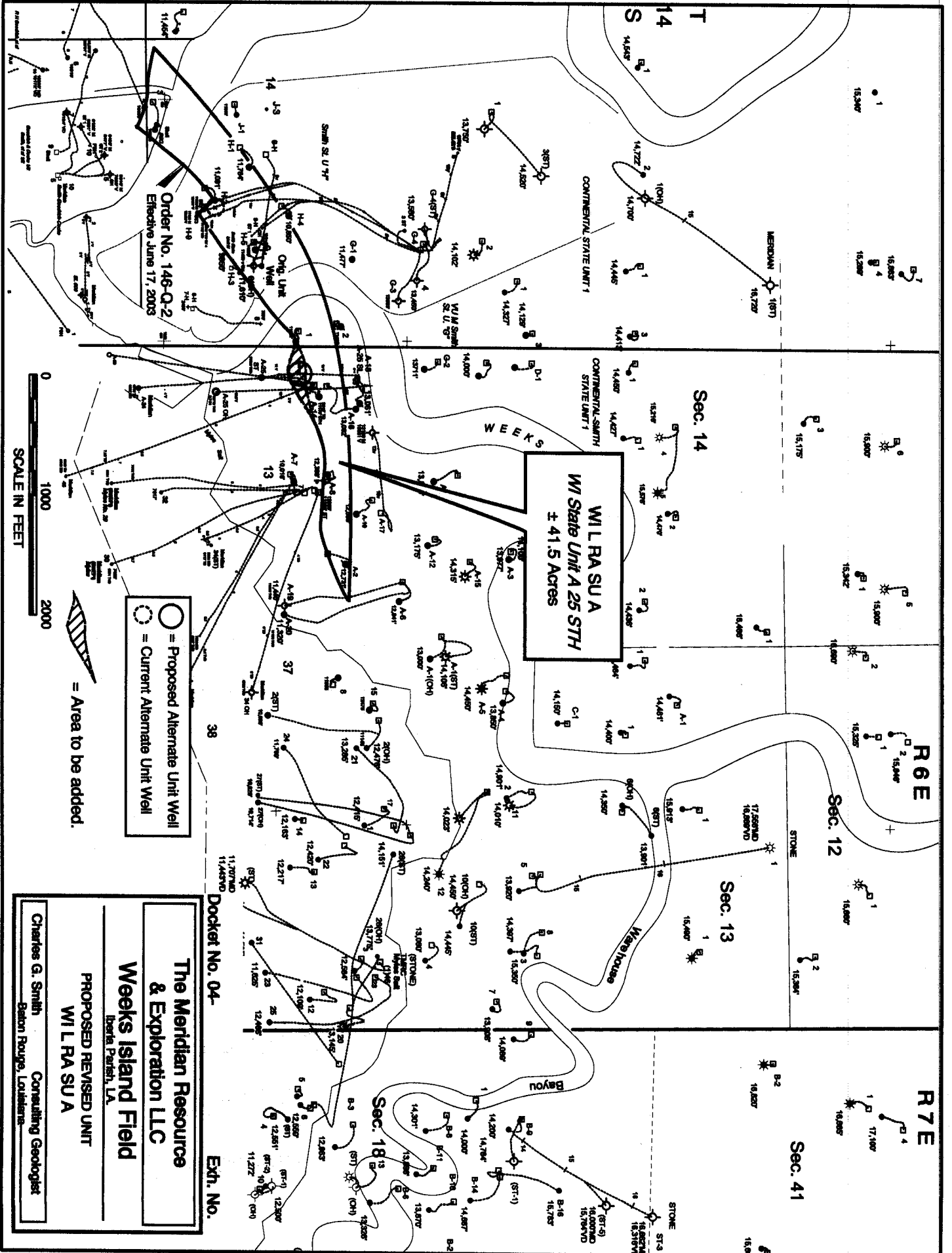
cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
District Manager
Lafayette, Louisiana

Interested Owners
Represented Parties
Interested Parties



= Area to be added.

Docket No. 04- Ex. No.	The Meridian Resource & Exploration LLC
	Weeks Island Field
	Iberia Parish, LA
	PROPOSED REVISED UNIT WI Mo RA SU
Charles G. Smith Consulting Geologist Baton Rouge, Louisiana	



Order No. 146-Q-2
Effective June 17, 2003

W L RA SU A
W/ State Unit A 25 STH
± 41.5 Acres

○ = Proposed Alternate Unit Well
○ = Current Alternate Unit Well

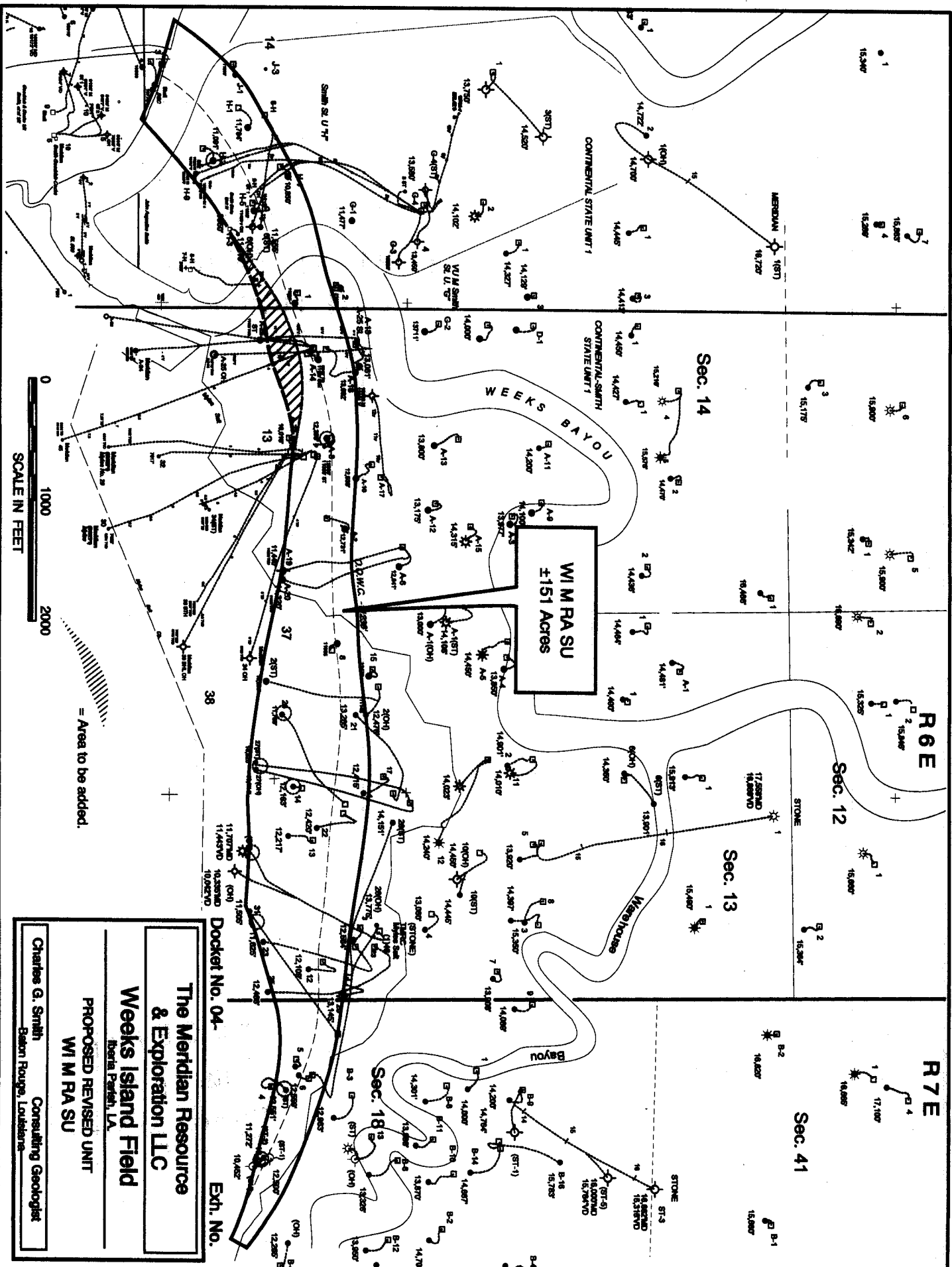
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& Exploration LLC**
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